

TOWN OF BEAUX ARTS VILLAGE TOWN BULLETIN MARCH 2021

March 4th WABA Board Mtg. Thursday 7:00pm remotely 7:00pm March 9th Town Council Meeting Tuesday remotely Thursday 7:00pm March 25th Planning Commission remotely ****************************

Town WEBSITE: http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/ SALES TAX NUMBER: #1703

Town Hall: townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov Building Dept: bldgdept@beauxarts-wa.gov Town Council: council@beauxarts-wa.gov

COUNCIL BUSINESS: At the February Council meeting, the Council:

- Moved to accept King County's proposal for including the Town's 2021 Paving Projects into their bid package at a cost not to exceed \$200,000. Town Engineer Stacia Schroeder will continue to work with King County to finalize details for this work. Because King County's project includes paving work in several locations, Ms. Schroeder will push for the Town's work to be completed either in early June or after the summer to minimize the impact on WABA members' use of the beach.
- Began a discussion of the Council's vision for the use of Town Green Spaces. This discussion is intended to build on the work done by CREA Associates in 2014 and the Town's philosophy toward its green spaces as set forth in Resolution No. 66. The Council anticipates that the result of this work will be a Greenspace Master Plan that clearly identifies where the Town should focus its efforts in maintaining and/or enhancing those spaces. This discussion is expected to last several months. In March, the focus will be identifying what spaces need attention and the type of work needed; subsequent discussions will focus on prioritizing that work list. The Council values input from residents and invites participation either during the Council meeting or through comments and suggestions submitted by email.
- Adopted Resolution No. 318 approving the ARCH Work Program and Budget for 2021.

The Council's next regular meeting will be <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>March 9th at 7pm</u> and is expected to be conducted remotely; instructions for participating will be included on the meeting agenda posted on mailstands the Friday before the meeting and on the Town website at https://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/agendas. Please contact Clerk/Treasurer Spens if you have questions.

COVID:

- King County is in phase 2 of Covid response: https://www.kingcounty.gov/elected/executive/constantine/covid-response/current-guidance.aspx.
- As part of the state's "Healthy Washington" plan and per the State's new Coronavirus webpage, you will find details for phase 1 and 2 at: https://coronavirus.wa.gov/what-you-need-know/safe-start/whats-open.

- Regional case counts will determine the phase for regional area going forward; each region
 includes a handful of counties. https://medium.com/wagovernor/inslee-announces-healthy-washington-roadmap-to-recovery-229b880a6859.
- You can keep up with all the latest statistics with the Dept of Health at: https://www.doh.wa.gov/Emergencies/COVID19/DataDashboard.

EMAIL CHALLENGES: Villagers who tried to contact Clerk/Treasurer Spens by email during February may have had their message bounced back. The Town's primary email address was 'SPAM-BOMBED" in early February forcing Ms. Spens to throttle email traffic to only whitelisted addresses and/or domains. After receiving more than 11,000 emails in an 8-hour period on the first day, the volume of spam has slowed considerably, and she anticipates reopening her email address no later than the first week in March. If you have sent (or plan to send) her an email and it is returned to you, please give her a call to find a workaround. And please accept her apologies for any and all inconvenience created by the situation.

KING COUNTY METRO SERVICE RESTORATION: King County Metro is working to gradually restore suspended service to bus routes and other Metro services, starting with community input through their survey due March 8th; short survey. The Town recognizes the importance of this service to residents and encourages all of you impacted by metro service in some way to please participate. Many students use Metro for school, some of you for work or personal. We will get through this pandemic and light rail is also on track coming soon nearby. Thank you for your participation!

MARSHAL REPORT: If you need to report any crime, contact the King County Sheriff and then Town Marshal Jeff & Marji Jochums.

PLANNING COMMISSION: The Planning Commission has voted to hold their monthly meeting on the 4th Thursday instead of the 3rd Thursday for a better quorum.

SCHOLARSHIP: Nominate a student from your community for an AWC Center for Quality Communities scholarship! Nominations are due March 12th. Scholarships are now available for outstanding young leaders in Washington's cities and towns. Your city can nominate one young leader who plans to attend college or a trade school this fall. Up to six \$1,500 scholarships will be awarded in May.

The AWC Center for Quality Communities is a 501(c)(3) organization, sponsored by the Association of Washington Cities, to promote civic engagement and provide the public with a better understanding of the role cities and towns play in Washington. Scholarship funds are raised during AWC's Annual Conference when city officials from throughout the state pledge to invest in young leaders—the future of our communities. Visit cfqc.org/scholarships for more information on how to nominate a student.

TOWN SERVICES REMAIN IN PHASE 2: Your Town Clerks have always worked from home, but as the pandemic continues, we remain extra careful about contact with the public. Both Clerk/Treasurer Spens and Deputy Clerk Kulp are available by phone or email, and we do our best to respond within 24 hours. The Building Department is accepting permit applications

online or by mail to maintain social distancing. In addition, all contractors must continue to comply with requirements for providing a safe workspace. Based on recent news for our area, it is not known when this will change.

REMINDERS – these are actions RESIDENTS can take to help keep our roadways clear for traffic:

KEEP ROADWAYS CLEAR for traffic and emergency vehicles.

• Town ROW parking is extremely limited. ALL VEHICLES must be parked completely be off the roadway with AT LEAST 10 feet of clear pass-through space.

If you are hosting guests, please make advance arrangements for them to park on your own private property, in a neighbor's driveways (with permission), or off-site.

- If a road blockage is unavoidable but planned (such as a moving truck or large delivery), please alert the Deputy Clerk at least 2-3 days in advance so she can warn neighbors who may be impacted. Thank you for keeping all unavoidable road blockages to a minimum.
- If there is an emergency, you will be required to move your vehicle.
- Please be aware that garbage trucks will avoid any street they can't pass, at your expense.

WABA / Western Academy of Beaux Arts NEWS:

BOARD MEETING: The next regular meeting of the WABA Board of Trustees will be held on Thursday, March 4th, at 7:00pm via Zoom. Meeting details will be posted on the agendas and the WABA website.

Dock Space: We have two 24 ft. shallow water slips and two kayak/canoe spaces available. Email Chuck Lowry if interested.

WABA Assessment Letters: The annual assessment letters will be mailed out in mid-March: payments are due on or before April 15th.

NEED TO CONTACT TOWN STAFF? Town Website: http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/

• Contact Clerk-Treasurer Sue Ann Spens about issues before the Council, general Town business, or Water-Dept.:

Clerk-Treasurer Sue Ann Spens townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov (425) 454-8580.

• Contact **Deputy Clerk Angela Kulp** about the building department (including permits and variances), issues before the Planning Commission or Hearing Examiner, or this newsletter:

Deputy Clerk Angela Kulp bldgdept@beauxarts-wa.gov (425) 269-6985

• To report **Block Watch** concerns, contact:

Town Marshal Jeff/Marji Jochums townmarshal@beauxarts-wa.gov

Deputy Marshal Robert Heintz

KCSO Non-Emergency Line

(206) 296-3311

NEED TO CONTACT WABA? WABA Members may contact WABA Clerk Kristin Mange about the Western Academy of Beaux Arts, regarding the private beach or its use (including reservations and parking stickers), the Green Book Directory, WABA social events or issues before the WABA Board of Trustees:

WABA Clerk Kristin Mange wabaclerk@gmail.com (425) 502-7382 http://waba1908.com/ Web address:

Mailing: Western Academy of Beaux Arts, 10010 SE 28th Place, Beaux Arts, WA 98004